

Information received from the San Francisco Field Division by letter dated December 12, 1946, reflected that a confidential informant in San Francisco, advised on November 22, 1946, that [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] had asked VIRGINIA HILL whether [REDACTED] and her troupe were in her penthouse. [REDACTED] associated with VIRGINIA HILL and BENJAMIN SIEGEL and has been frequently seen in their company, VIRGINIA HILL replied to the question in the negative and stated that she was alone and further stated that she had a gun.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] In December 13, 1946 [REDACTED] advised that [REDACTED] had contacted one [REDACTED] at which time [REDACTED] was advised [REDACTED] was in Los Angeles and that [REDACTED] was from New York; that he was betting 60 to 70 thousand dollars a day on football, fights and basketball and that he was good for an easy touch. Same source advised that [REDACTED] immediately contacted other individuals in an effort to determine the background on [REDACTED] and had also contacted BEN SIEGEL by long distance at which time BEN advised [REDACTED] to "leave [REDACTED] ALONE", that he is smart enough to take care of himself.

[REDACTED] was contacted by [REDACTED] at the Riviera Hotel at Newark, New Jersey, in regard to [REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] that [REDACTED] was a big time operator and that "little guy" (believed to be MEYER LANSKY) has a guy named [REDACTED] (phonetic) who is in with [REDACTED] replied "that lets that out".

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Considerable information concerning this character has been submitted in various crime survey memoranda and in the CAPCA and BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL cases. As has been stated in those sections of this report entitled JACK IRAGNA and [REDACTED] has been spark-plugging the wire service among Los Angeles book makers recently. He has hired a body-guard, a former Los Angeles Police Lieutenant now retired, [REDACTED] called upon the Chief of Police in Los Angeles recently and informed the Police Department that it was being placed on notice to the effect that [REDACTED] was staying out of the City of Los Angeles and that he, [REDACTED] had knowledge of the fact that the Police Department intended doing away with [REDACTED] and that if any act befell [REDACTED] the Police Department would be held responsible.

As a result of this Chief of Police HERRALL called in several officers who are working on [REDACTED] and advised them to be armed at all times. Consequently, a "feud" of a sort has developed and the Police Department seems thoroughly enraged at this turn of events.

[REDACTED] has had frequent contact with [REDACTED] big time gambler who has been mentioned elsewhere in this report. He also has been maintaining frequent contacts with the [REDACTED] family which is connected with the [REDACTED] in Cleveland, Ohio.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On December 4th [REDACTED] contacted an individual named [REDACTED] who said that he was leaving and would stop [REDACTED] and "unload that stuff". It will be recalled that in the section of this report under SINGEL where information is set forth concerning the narcotics traffic, the statement is made that [REDACTED] is a narcotic peddler who is the source of [REDACTED] supply.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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On November 15th the same informant recalled that [redacted] received a telephone call from [redacted] carried on a conversation [redacted] when she told him she had had a good time in New York and that [redacted] would be back next week. [redacted] stated that "several changes have been made since that BENNY SIEGEL think took place. [redacted] is not here now" and [redacted] agreed to call the next week.

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The following information reflects a jewelry robbery which occurred at the Sunset Plaza Apartments at 1220 Sunset Plaza Drive, Hollywood.

On the night of November 16th, between 8:35 p.m. and 1:45 a.m., the apartment of [REDACTED] was burglarized. Approximately \$20,000.00 worth of jewelry was taken. Among items taken was one very rare dark blue star sapphire, 25 carats, set in platinum mounting, heavy man's type, valuation \$7500.00; also a set including a pair of cuff links, four vest buttons and two shirt studs, set in square shape with baguette diamonds on surrounding edge and blood ruby in center, value \$2500.00. On November 21, 1946, by teletype from the Salt Lake City directed to the Bureau and to Los Angeles information is set forth reflecting that [REDACTED] BEN SIEGEL's body guard and gunman appeared at Las Vegas, Nevada, with jewelry which answers the description of the jewelry taken from the Sunset Plaza and from [REDACTED] the victim of the burglary. Further information obtained from Las Vegas, Nevada, from confidential informant and other sources reflected that [REDACTED] had departed from Las Vegas to Los Angeles prior to the date of the burglary and had returned to Las Vegas shortly thereafter in possession of the jewelry. Further investigation and contemplation of arrests in regard to this violation is being considered.

The following information concerning VIRGINIA HILL, BEN SIEGEL and their associates was furnished by [REDACTED]

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UNDEVELOPED LEADS

**SAN FRANCISCO FIELD DIVISION**

At San Francisco, California

Will secure all available information on [REDACTED] and her associates with an idea of tying her in to narcotic activities along with VIRGINIA HILL [REDACTED] b2

**NEW YORK FIELD DIVISION**

At New York, New York

Will obtain information concerning [REDACTED] b2

Information should be specifically developed which might point to narcotics traffic on the part of this individual.

The same lead is set out concerning an individual named [REDACTED] b2

Will submit additional information concerning the firm of [REDACTED] b7c b7d

Any indication that this firm is engaged in the narcotics traffic is most important.

Since JOE ADONIS and FRANK COSTELLO are apparently close friends of SIEGEL, investigation should be undertaken to determine whether the syndicate there is engaged in the narcotic traffic.

**SALE LAKE CITY FIELD DIVISION**

At Las Vegas, Nevada

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Will maintain close contact [redacted]

Any information tending to develop facts that this material is traveling interstate is of importance.

Will continue close scrutiny of the activities of BEN SIEGEL, [redacted] and will develop information concerning VIRGINIA HILL, [redacted] determining whether they are engaged in the narcotic traffic. [redacted]

Will attempt to identify and locate [redacted] allegedly a narcotic dealer and attempt to develop information concerning the connection between [redacted] and SIEGEL.

**CLEVELAND FIELD DIVISION**

At Cleveland, Ohio

Will obtain information concerning [redacted] and who recently called Los Angeles to talk to SIEGEL and spoke to DRAGNA in the former's absence. Any connection [redacted] has with the narcotics racket is important.

The Cleveland office will also attempt to identify [redacted] and the individual who allegedly owns a fighter named [redacted] all of whom are friendly with DRAGNA.

Will obtain information concerning the activities of [redacted] Information indicating any connection [redacted] or any of these persons with the narcotics racket is highly important.



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**SAN DIEGO FIELD DIVISION**

At San Diego, California

Will identify the following individuals all of whose names are given phonetically and furnish the background and present activities of these characters. All of these individuals are allegedly friends of DRAGNA in that city.

**INDIANAPOLIS FIELD DIVISION**

At Lafayette, Indiana

Will identify [REDACTED]

**CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION**

At Chicago, Illinois

Will continue its investigation of [REDACTED] and his activities. It will be recalled that the San Francisco office has developed information indicating that [REDACTED] is involved in the narcotics racket and that in his recent trip to San Francisco [REDACTED]

Will determine whether [REDACTED] a close friend of "BUGSY" SIEGEL is involved in the narcotics traffic.

**DETROIT FIELD DIVISION**

At Detroit, Michigan

Will identify [REDACTED]

Will identify [REDACTED] All three of these characters had contact with DRAGNA when they were in Los Angeles [REDACTED]

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The Detroit office will bear in mind that investigation so far tends to indicate certain of these people are engaged in the narcotics traffic.

LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

At Los Angeles, California

At Beverly Hills, California

Will identify [REDACTED]

At Los Angeles, California

Will consider taking the necessary steps to have [REDACTED] has furnished additional information and it is thought that continued contact with him will result in further information concerning SIEGEL and the narcotics racket.

At Long Beach, California

At Los Angeles, California

Will maintain contact with [REDACTED]

Will identify [REDACTED]

Will interview [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
Will investigate the tie-up between [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Will maintain contact with [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] and other sources of information.

Will develop further information concerning the activities of [REDACTED]  
friend of "BOB" FIDEL and VIRGINIA HILL.

Will attempt to develop a confidential source that can give further  
information concerning [REDACTED] burglary and [REDACTED] part in that crime.

Will develop pertinent facts concerning [REDACTED] along the lines  
looking toward a prosecution for falsely claiming citizenship.

A copy of this report is being designated for the Cincinnati office  
inasmuch as [REDACTED] has connections throughout the state of Ohio.

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CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANTS

Special Agent [REDACTED]

FBI.

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
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CHARACTER OF CASE: MISCELLANEOUS  
INFORMATION CONCERNING-CRIME SUR-  
VEY; L.A.F.D.

SPECIAL AGENT: [REDACTED]

DATE: 12/20/46

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United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation  
Los Angeles, California  
January 21, 1947

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO  
FILE NO. 66-119

JUSTIFICATION FOR CONTINUATION OF TECHNICAL  
OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL, with aliases

Character of Case Miscellaneous

Field Office Los Angeles

Symbol Number [REDACTED]

Type of Surveillance: (Technical or  
Microphone) Technical

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DATE 11-5-85 BY SP-7 MAC/RSB

1. Subject's name and address: [REDACTED] b7c

2. Location of technical operation: Same

3. Dates of initial authorization and installation: [REDACTED] installed  
July 15, 1946. b2 b7c

4. Previous and other installations on the same subject (with dates and  
places): Installed July 15, 1946 and discontinued October 17, 1946. b7c  
Installed November 18, 1946 [REDACTED]

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5. Specific valuable information obtained since previous report with  
indication of specific value of each item and what use was made  
of each item of information involved: Information as to [REDACTED]  
activities and his associates in connection with Transamerica Wire  
Service and his close affiliation with BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL. b7c

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6. Could above information have been obtained from other sources and by other means? No

7. Has security factor changed since installation? No

8. Any request for the surveillance by outside agency (give name, title and agency): No

9. Manpower and costs involved: No extra personnel needed. [REDACTED]

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10. Remarks (By SAC): It is my recommendation that this technical surveillance be continued. This man is BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL's lieutenant, performs his errands for him, conducts many of his business affairs, has attempted to bribe track officials and has obviously engaged in activities for the interests of SIEGEL. In addition he frequently has conferences at his apartment with leaders in gangster activities in this area. Much of this information has come to us as result of the technical and I feel that it should be continued.

11. Remarks (added at Seat of Government):

12. Recommendation by Assistant Director:

*Disseminated on  
invitation of Director  
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13. Recommendation by the Assistants to the Director:

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DATE 11-3-93 BY SP-7 mca/ab

DIRECTOR URGENT

BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, WAS, MISC., INFO CONC CRIME SURVEY. SUMMARY

RE ACTIVITIES WEEK ENDING JAN. TWENTYFOUR, LAST. [REDACTED]

GAMBLING JOINT NOT DOING WELL. CLASSIFIED AS A QUOTE BAD LUCK PLACE

UNQUOTE [REDACTED] OF CLEVELAND CONTACTED BY

[REDACTED] REPORTS [REDACTED] TOLD

[REDACTED] HE WILL BE OUT HERE NEXT MONTH. HE IS SENDING [REDACTED]

QUOTE TEN BIG ONES UNQUOTE BY REGISTERED AIR MAIL AT LATTER-S REQUEST

BECAUSE HE NEEDS MONEY FOR NINETY DAYS IN PURCHASE OF NEW HOME.

[REDACTED] WA, IN LA CONTACTED [REDACTED] IMMEDIATE UPON ARRIVAL

[REDACTED] HAS BEEN ASSOCIATED WITH MAYFIELD ROAD GANG IN UNDERWORLD

ACTIVITIES IN CLEVELAND. INDIVIDUAL FROM MIAMI BEACH DISCUSSED WIRE

SERVICE [REDACTED] AND OFFERED HIS HELP ON THE [REDACTED] DEAL INASMUCH

AS QUOTE HE IS A ROUGH GUY TO COMPETE WITH UNQUOTE AND [REDACTED] DECLINED

SAYING HE DOESN-T WANT TO GET INVOLVED. [REDACTED]

STATES [REDACTED] CONTINENTAL NEWS PAPER SUPPLY TO T. A. IN RACE,

RESULTS RECENTLY. TWO LA NEWSPAPER REPORTERS, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HAVE BEEN

FURNISHING CURRENT INFO [REDACTED] CONCERNING ACTIVITIES AND PLANS

OF LA PD INVOLVING THREE INDIVIDUALS. THE POLICE ARE SURVEILLING. 389

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ONE FROM NY AND TWO FROM CLEVELAND. [REDACTED] HAS BEEN HIGHLY APPRECIATIVE OF THIS INFO AND SET DATE FOR NEXT MONDAY TO GIVE

[REDACTED] THEIR QUOTE MAIL UNQUOTE. INDIVIDUAL, [REDACTED] OFFERED [REDACTED] SUGAR STAMPS AT ELEVEN DOLLARS PER

HUNDRED POUNDS. [REDACTED] IN A DISCUSSION AS TO

WHY ACTIVITIES WERE SLOW MENTIONED QUOTE THE OPIUM ACT UNQUOTE AND

[REDACTED] STATED HE EXPECTED [REDACTED] CONSIDERABLE MONEY NEXT WEEK.

[REDACTED] CURRENTLY ATTEMPTING TO OBTAIN A NEW CAR [REDACTED] FEDERAL

NARCOTICS AGENTS STATE [REDACTED] MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH [REDACTED]

KNOWN NARCOTICS PEDDLER, AND THAT [REDACTED] WAS, A KNOWN OPIUM

SMOKER, IS DEFINITELY ASSOCIATED [REDACTED] IN PEDDLING

NARCOTICS AND THAT [REDACTED] ACTIVITIES ARE CONNECTED WITH THOSE OF

BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL, BUT FEDERAL NARCOTIC BUREAU AT PRESENT IS

UNABLE TO MAKE CASE. SURVEILLANCE AT [REDACTED] RESIDENCE REVEALS CAR

BELONGING TO [REDACTED] PARKED IN DRIVE.

[REDACTED] WAS THANKED [REDACTED] PROFUSELY FOR OBTAINING THE

CHATEAU MARMOUNT APT. [REDACTED] FROM A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE

A LETTER SENT TO VIRGINIA HILL [REDACTED]

S APPRECIATION FOR SIEGEL-S KINDNESS TO HER, ADDING THAT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IS ONE OF QUOTE HER SONS UNQUOTE AND IF SHE

COULD DO ANYTHING FOR SIEGEL WHO WAS REFERRED TO AS BAB Y BLUE EYES TO

LET HER KNOW. SIEGEL RETURNED TO LA JAN. TWO TWO, LAST, AND [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SURVEILLANCE [REDACTED] REFLECTED THAT [REDACTED] MET SIEGEL

ON JAN. TWO THREE, LAST. SIEGEL DRIVES FORTYSIX CADILLAC SEDAN, CALIF.

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LIC. SIX EIGHT EIGHT EIGHT, REGISTERED TO GEORGE RAFT, THE ACTOR.

RECEIVED [REDACTED] THAT HE WOULD DEPART FOR LAS VEGAS JAN TWO  
THREE LAST. [REDACTED] SUBSEQUENTLY ADVISED SIEGEL AT VIRGINIA HILL-S  
RESIDENCE EIGHT ONE NAUGHT LINDEN DR., BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF., THAT  
[REDACTED] MOTION PICTURE PRODUCER AND HOODLUM CONTACT, WAS VERY  
DESIROUS OF CONTACTING SIEGEL BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE FROM LA. CONFIDEN-  
TIAL INFORMANT ADVISES JACK DRAGNA HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] MAN REFERRED TO BY DRAGNA  
AS [REDACTED] IN LA. HAS HAD MEETING WITH  
DRAGNA. DRAGNA HAS COMPLETED ARRANGEMENTS TO [REDACTED] REINSTALL  
LOOKOUT AT SANTA ANITA RACE TRACK, COMMENCING JAN. TWO FIVE, NEXT.  
TWO [REDACTED] NEW MEN OPERATING IN HOUSE NEAR TRACK AND ONE MAN b7c  
INSIDE TRACK SIGNALLING. INFO RECD THAT HOUSE HAS TELESCOPE.  
INFORMANT ADVISES DRAGNA HAS QUOTE FIXED UP UNQUOTE THE DA-S OFFICE  
AND AN ARCADIA, CALIF. POLICEMAN. DRAGNA DOES NOT ANTICIPATE FURTHER  
ARRESTS. [REDACTED] RETURNED LA JAN. TWENTYONE. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCES  
ADVISE THAT [REDACTED] CONTACTS [REDACTED] SAYS HE MAY BE QUOTE ABLE  
TO GIVE UNQUOTE [REDACTED] SOMETHING. SAYS QUOTE THAT GUY UNQUOTE NAME UN-  
KNOWN QUOTE MADE A MILLION UNQUOTE IN THE LAST SIX MONTHS, HAS ONLY  
[REDACTED] AND SCRATCH SHEET AND GREEN  
SHEET. [REDACTED] QUESTIONS WHETHER THEY CAN QUOTE GET TO HIM UNQUOTE.  
SAYS HE IS LEAVING IN COUPLE OF DAYS. [REDACTED] SUBSEQUENTLY CON-  
TACTED [REDACTED] QUESTIONS WHETHER THAT QUOTE GUY UNQUOTE  
IS STILL IN TOWN. MENTIONS THE NAME [REDACTED] INVITES [REDACTED]

OVER TO QUOTE HE-LL FIGURE OUT HOW TO KILL THAT GUY UNQUOTE. [REDACTED]  
REPEATEDLY TRIES UNSUCCESSFULLY IN THE EARLY HOURS OF THE MORNING ON  
JAN. TWENTYFOUR INSTANT TO CONTACT [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] WHO IS AT THE HOLLYWOOD ROOSEVELT [REDACTED]  
HOTEL. [REDACTED] FINALLY WIRES [REDACTED] REQUESTS HIM TO CALL QUOTE VERY  
IMPORTANT UNQUOTE. HE SUBSEQUENTLY CONTACTS [REDACTED] ADVISES  
[REDACTED] OF THE ABOVE. TELLS HIM THEY-LL MEET [REDACTED] MENTIONS QUOTE  
DEAL UNQUOTE AND [REDACTED] REPEATEDLY MENTIONS QUOTE SHOULD HAVE NO  
TROUBLE -- IT-LL TAKE TWO OR THREE DAYS AND POSITIVELY NOBODY MUST  
KNOW ABOUT IT NOT EVEN [REDACTED] b7c  
LATER [REDACTED] CONTACTS [REDACTED] AGREES TO MEET [REDACTED] LA  
UNABLE TO COVER MEET TO DETERMINE VICTIM OR THE NATURE OF THE QUOTE  
DEAL UNQUOTE. IN [REDACTED] REFERENCE TO CASINO AT LAS VEGAS, [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] MENTIONS [REDACTED] THAT [REDACTED] QUOTE ISN-T PLAYING  
UNQUOTE. [REDACTED] SAYS THAT [REDACTED] IS FRIENDLY QUOTE TOWARD US UNQUOTE.  
HOWEVER, QUOTE IF HE WINS HE-LL HURT US UNQUOTE. - CON. SOURCE ALSO  
ADVISE THAT [REDACTED] WAS WITH BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL UNTIL ELEVEN  
O-CLOCK ON JAN. TWENTYONE LAST. [REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] THAT HE WAS  
DRIVING TO LAS VEGAS AND WAS GOING QUOTE TO TAKE A LITTLE MONEY UP

RE THERE UNQUOTE [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

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DATE 7-3-85 BY SP-7 msp/bs

BENJAMIN "BOB" SIEGEL

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING - GRIME SURVEY

Reference is made to Salt Lake City teletype dated December 26, 1946, in which it is stated that

who may have information relative to the payoff of Broward County, Florida, officials and other information concerning the seasonal plans of the gambling element there.

Inquiry revealed that there is no Hollywood News published in Hollywood, Florida, but that there are two weekly newspapers, one being the Hollywood Herald

and the other known as the "Sun Tattler"

The Hollywood Herald is considered a sensational paper, more or less a scandal sheet. Both of these men are said to be middle age. There is no indication that they have in the past been close to the gambling situation in Broward County.

This information was furnished to the Salt Lake City Field Division by teletype January 7, 1947, suggesting that they might re-contact the informant for additional information.

With reference to the gambling situation mentioned in the Salt Lake City teletype, gambling activities have not ceased in Broward County and at that time were not opened in Dade County. Some of the gambling establishments did open on Saturday January 11, 1947, in Dade County.

With reference to teletypes dated December 27, 1946, and January 3, 1947, from the Salt Lake City Field Division concerning ownership of a house in Miami Beach, Florida, by a VIRGINIA HILL, it was determined that on February 8, 1946, VIRGINIA HILL purchased the following described property: Lot #1, Block 1D of Island #1, Sunset Island, Miami Beach, Florida, which is recorded in Plat Book #40, page 8, of the Public Records of Dade County, Florida, together with all the furniture, fixtures and equipment located on the premises of the above property. The address of VIRGINIA HILL was given as in care of

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Letter to Director, FBI

January 29, 1947

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The deed to this property was filed March 4, 1946, and is in Deed Record Book #2641, page 409, Dade County, Florida. The consideration expressed in the deed is \$10. and other valuable consideration but the tax stamps on the deed indicate that the purchase price was \$49,500.

On January 13, 1947, [REDACTED] Ocean View Postal Station, Miami, Florida, advised that he had been carrying mail to this address since March 1946 and that no one has been living there. Occasionally mail comes for VIRGINIA HILL which he puts in the mail box and a colored maid who is there frequently apparently takes care of this mail as she takes it in and it is never forwarded through him. b7c

[REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] stated that he would observe mail coming to this address in the future and any persons who might take residence thereat. b7c

It is noted that there are only a few houses in the vicinity, this being an exclusive neighborhood. [REDACTED] b7c

Reference is made to Chicago teletypes dated January 6th and 10th, 1947, concerning [REDACTED] and to Chicago letter dated January 9, 1946, wherein it is stated that [REDACTED] bookmaker friend of VIRGINIA HILL, is reported to be presently in Miami, Florida. This has not been verified to date but efforts are being made in the investigation of jewel theft activities to ascertain the location and activities [REDACTED] b7c

cc: Salt Lake City  
Los Angeles  
Chicago

[REDACTED] b7c  
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**FILE DESCRIPTION**

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**SUBJECT** BUGSY SIEGEL

**FILE NO.** 62-81518

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DIRECTOR AND SAC LOS ANGELES

ROUTINE

BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE SIEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONC  
CRIME SURVEY. DEVELOPMENTS AT LAS VEGAS, NEVADA FOR WEEK ENDING  
JANUARY TWENTY FOURTH. SIEGEL RETURNED TO LAS VEGAS FROM LOS ANGE  
TWENTY THIRD INSTANT.

[REDACTED] BUSINESS b2 b7D  
AT FLAMINGO HOTEL INCREASING. TOTAL GROSS REVENUE FROM CASSINO  
SINCE DECEMBER TWENTY SIXTH, OPENING DATE, APPROXIMATELY ONE  
HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS, BUT HOTEL CASSINO AND DINNING ROOM STILL  
OPERATING AT A LOSS.

NEWMAN

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DIRECTOR URGENT

RE BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL, INFORMATION CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY,  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

NO FURTHER PARTICULAR IS KNOWN [REDACTED]  
NOW. RE REQUESTED PERSONAL INTERVIEW WITH ME WHICH WILL BE  
ARRANGED WITHIN NEXT SEVERAL DAYS TO DISCUSS SOME OTHER MATTERS.  
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feyl article  
1/21/47  
quoting newspaper*

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Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Carson  
Mr. Egan  
Mr. Gurnea  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Hendon  
Mr. Pennington  
Mr. Quinn Tamm  
Mr. Nease

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DIRECTOR AND SACS SALT LAKE AND NEW YORK URGENT  
BENJAMIN BUGSY SIEGEL, MISC INFO CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY. REBUT  
JAN THIRD AND SALT LAKE TEL JAN NINTH. VIRGINIA HILL HAS RETURNED  
TO LAS VEGAS. [REDACTED] WAS TOLD BY HILL THAT SHE WOULD  
RETURN TO LA WITH HER HUSBAND, MEANING SIEGEL, WITHIN FEW DAYS BY  
AUTOMOBILE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] HILL'S PLANS DO NOT APPEAR TO BE DEFINITE. SHE HAS TOLD [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] SHE IS GOING TO MIAMI, AND [REDACTED] SHE  
BOUGHT A RESIDENCE IN MIAMI

[REDACTED] SHE HAS ALREADY INSTRUCTED [REDACTED] TO RESERVE HER AN APT IN MEXICO  
CITY. SHE TOLD [REDACTED] SHE IS EXCHANGING HER PRESENT APT FOR A HOUSE  
IN LA, YET [REDACTED] SHE WOULD EXCHANGE PRESENT APT FOR A  
SMALLER APT. AS SOON AS HILL'S DEFINITE PLANS ARE ASCERTAINED  
INTERESTED OFFICES WILL BE ADVISED. SALT LAKE CITY SHOULD ENDEAVOR  
TO VIEW HILL FOR CURRENT COMPLETE DESCRIPTION.

SALT LAKE CITY ADVISED [REDACTED] SEPARATELY  
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cc [REDACTED]  
bx

# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. ROSEN

DATE: January 29, 1947

FROM : [REDACTED]

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DATE 7-5-85 BY SP-7 mct/hrs

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL  
MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
CRIME SURVEY

Tolson  
Mr. E. A.  
Mr. Clegg  
Mr. Coffey  
Mr. Glavin  
Mr. Ladd  
Mr. Nichols  
Mr. Rosen  
Mr. Tracy  
Mr. Harbo  
Mr. Carson  
Mr. Hendon  
Mr. Mumford  
Mr. Jones  
Mr. Quinn  
Tele. Room  
Mr. Nease  
Miss Gandy

The attention of Special Agent in Charge Hood of the Los Angeles Division was called to the Bureau's teletype of January 17, 1947, instructing the Salt Lake City and Los Angeles Field Divisions to discontinue technicals on this case, particularly with reference to the instructions relative to the return of agents working on this case as a special.

Hood inquired as to the reason the Bureau had instructed investigation in this case be discontinued and was advised because investigation to date had failed to reflect a violation within the jurisdiction of the Bureau. He stated that the technicals presently in operation on the associates of Siegel which have been operated in connection with the General Crime Survey program would be discontinued inasmuch as the information developed therefrom pertained exclusively to Siegel's operations.

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JAN 25 1947  
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WASHINGTON FROM CHICAGO 1 25 2-17 PM  
DIRECTOR URGENT  
BENJAMIN BUG SIEGEL, MISC. INFO. CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY.  
PERTINENT DEVELOPMENTS AT CHICAGO FOR WEEK ENDING JANUARY TWENTY  
FOURTH.  
MC SWAIN  
PLS ACK

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Mr. Clegg	
Mr. Glavin	
Mr. Ladd	
Mr. Nichols	
Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Tracy	
Mr. Carson	
Mr. Egan	
Mr. Gurnea	
Mr. Harbo	
Mr. Hendon	
Mr. Pennington	
Mr. Quinn Tamm	
Mr. Nease	
Miss Gandy	



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**JOHN B. BURNETT, with aliases  
FUGITIVE; INFORMATION CONCERNING  
HIS SURVIVAL**

There is being forwarded under separate cover fourteen records, a portion of each one being in Italian or Sicilian dialect. The conversation in each instance is between JACK BRAGA, a subject of instant case, and [redacted] The Italian or Sicilian cuts are as follows:

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| 73 | - | 1     |
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| 50 | - | 2     |
| 76 | - | 2     |
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The Laboratory is requested to translate the above indicated cuts and furnish this office with the results thereof. It will not be necessary to return these records upon completion of the translation.

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DEPT SURVEY

There is being forwarded under separate cover twelve records, a portion of each one being in Italian or Sicilian dialect. The conversation in each instance is between JAC DRAGNA, a subject of instant case, and [redacted] The Italian or Sicilian words are as follows:

- N 85 - Out 1
- N 97 - " 1
- N 97 - " 3
- N 1 - " 3
- N 11 - " 3
- N 21 - " 2
- N 35 - " 1
- N 35 - " 3
- N 15 - " 1
- N 45 - " 1
- N 73 - " 1
- N 74 - " 2
- N 92 - " 2
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Reference is made to your letter dated January 22, 1947 regarding translations of recordings made by your office during a technical surveillance on Jack Brown.

In compliance with your request there are enclosed copies of the translations requested in reference letter.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE: February 3, 1947  
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SUBJECT: REPORTED INTEREST OF BACHMANN  
IN THE PURCHASE OF HOTELS -  
MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION CONCERNING -  
CRIME SURVEY  
(Bureau File No. 62-20077)

Reference is made to the report of the Los Angeles office in this case, dated November 13, 1946. Bureau Memorandum, dated August 23, 1946, copies of which were designated for Chicago and New York, instructed that reports were to be received in this case every sixty days.

Since the submission of the Los Angeles report, referenced to above, no additional information has been received upon which a report could be predicated. Consequently, until information is received from offices still having outstanding leads on this case no report is being submitted from the office of origin. Those offices having leads have been designated to receive copies of this letter.

It is requested that those offices expedite the leads on this case so that the investigation can be handled in accordance with Bureau instructions.

cc: Chicago  
Detroit  
Newark  
New York

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United States Department of Justice  
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Los Angeles 13, California  
January 20, 1947

IN REPLY, PLEASE REFER TO  
FILE NO. 66-119



RECOMMENDATION FOR INSTALLATION OF TECHNICAL  
OR MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE

RE: Title BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, w.as.

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Character of Case Miscellaneous  
Field Office Los Angeles  
Symbol Number [REDACTED]  
Type of Surveillance (Technical or  
Microphone) Microphone

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1. Name and address of subject:

[REDACTED]

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2. Location of technical operation: Same

3. Other technical surveillances on same subject: Technical Surveillance

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4. Cost and manpower involved:

[REDACTED] Part time of two Agents to monitor  
special meetings which subject has in his home approximately two  
nights a week.

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5. Adequacy of security: Security would be good.

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6. Type of case involved: [REDACTED] is being investigated in connection with his activities as the lieutenant of BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL, nationally known gangster. [REDACTED]

7. Connection or status of subject in the case: The subject represents BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL in all of his business transactions and also arranges for meetings of other outstanding hoodlums coming to Los Angeles in his apartment. He has also been connected by "fingering a jewelry burglary" which is now being investigated by this and the Salt Lake City Office. He also acts for the hoodlum interests in bribing various officials.

8. Specific information being sought: The specific purpose for this microphone installation would be to cover meetings which [REDACTED] has in his apartment. Through the technical surveillance now in existence we have learned of occasional meetings which he calls in his apartment attended by such hoodlums as [REDACTED] and JACK DRAGNA. It is hoped that through the microphone surveillance the plans and programs of these individuals will be made known to this office. It is anticipated that they will discuss projects in violation of the laws not only of the State but probably of the Federal Government and it is believed that this will be the only means available to us to determine what these men talk about in these meetings.

9. Reasons for believing the specific information will be obtained by the technical surveillance: Experience has shown that most of the meetings of this group of underworld characters are held in [REDACTED] apartment rather than in some public meeting place or someone else's apartment where members of the family might overhear their conversation. [REDACTED] lives alone.

10. Importance of case and subject: This case is considered one of the most important to the Bureau as BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL, [REDACTED] JACK DRAGNA and others associated with them practically control the racketeering

and underworld activities in the West and to a large degree influence the activities throughout America.

11. Possibilities of obtaining desired information by other means (Explain in detail): So far it has not been possible to develop any informant close enough to [REDACTED] DRAGNA or others who would be able to report on conversations these men have together in [REDACTED] apartment. It is doubtful that anyone outside their close circle knows what is going on in these meetings. b7

12. Risks of detection involved: The risks of detection are negligible. b7E
- [REDACTED]

13. Probable length of technical surveillance: 90 Days.

14. Request made for technical surveillance by any outside agency (name specific official, title and agency): None.

15. Remarks: It is requested that the Bureau immediately authorize installation of this microphone and that this office be advised by teletype.

16. Recommendation of Assistant Director: It is recommended that installation be made. Memorandum submitted.

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Feli Section  
for Director  
initiated  
12/2/57  
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17. Recommendation of Assistants to the Director:

  
AIR MAIL



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# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

THIS CASE ORIGINATED AT **LOS ANGELES** FILE NO. **62-2837**

REPORT MADE AT <b>LOS ANGELES</b>	DATE WHEN MADE <b>12/20/46</b> <b>1/7/47</b>	PERIOD FOR WHICH MADE <b>12/20/46</b> <b>1/7/47</b>	REPORT MADE BY <b>[REDACTED]</b>
TITLE <b>BENJAMIN "BUCKY" SIEGEL, with aliases</b>			CHARACTER OF CASE <b>MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION CONCERNING - CRIME SURVEY</b>

SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: **73206**

**SAM DRAGON**, having financial difficulties, has been promised \$10,000 by **DRAGON**'s recent arrest on robbery charge dismissed and he has instituted suit for \$100,000, charging false arrest against Los Angeles Police Department officers. Track crew of **L.A. News Service** arrested **1/7/47** at Santa Anita track. Booked at L.A. Co. Jail charged conspiracy to violate bookmaking laws later released \$1,500.00 Bond.

**[REDACTED]**

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DATE **11-13-83** BY **SP-6 JMS/STW**

**[REDACTED]**

asked publicity for Flamingo, contacted **[REDACTED]** motion picture producer, concerning making of picture on Flamingo Casino and assured them his cooperation.

APPROVED AND FORWARDED: <b>[Signature]</b>	SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE <b>[Signature]</b>	DO NOT WRITE IN THESE SPACES <b>62-194518-400</b> <b>F B I</b> <b>29 FEB 3 1947</b>	RECORDED INDEXED <b>Exp 16</b>
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FLORIAN HILL, [redacted]'s mistress, has purchased a house in Sunset Islands, Miami, Florida, and has acquired a residence in an exclusive section of Beverly Hills, Calif. [redacted]

HILL states [redacted] must remain active in management of Fleming because other persons associated with him in this enterprise won't permit his dropping out. She states she may have to hide him out because he told her he would have to kill himself in order to get away from these persons. [redacted]

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REFERENCE:

Report of Special Agent [redacted] Los Angeles, dated December 20, 1946. b7c

DETAILS:

AT LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA:

This is a joint report of Special Agents [redacted] and the writer. b7c

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] asked [REDACTED] about the new racing service taking over the Continental News Service. [REDACTED] said that it might be affected by purchase, but anyway there would soon be one service. [REDACTED] was asked what part [REDACTED] played in the news service and [REDACTED] said that [REDACTED] had nothing to do with it except to go out and get business, that is contact bookmakers and get them to use the new service. [REDACTED] said that BENNY SIEGEL is the actual head of the new Transamerica Wire Service.

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On January 3, 1947, three of the Trans-Pacific Air Lines men were arrested signalling that the Santa Anita Race Track to a house in the immediate vicinity and these three suspects were booked on suspicion of criminal conspiracy. Information concerning the arrests which is reported elsewhere in this report was of much concern to JACK DRAGMA and others interested in the wire service. It was ascertained from [redacted] that [redacted] when contacting JACK DRAGMA assured DRAGMA that the arrests were made outside of the track house where "they" [believed to be the Security Police] had no jurisdiction.

On the same date [redacted] in contacting [redacted] Los Angeles bondman in an effort to locate the three men in any of the jails in the metropolitan area, so that they could be bailed out, inquired [redacted] whether he talked to [redacted] [redacted] stated that he did and [redacted] stated that the D.A.'s office had made the arrests. From the same source, it was ascertained that [redacted] telephonic contact with BEN SIEGEL stated that the arrests were made on the outside of the track, indicating that the arrests were exclusively the work of the D.A.'s office and not the security track office.

ACTIVITIES OF [redacted] FROM DECEMBER 20, 1946 to JANUARY 9, 1947:

It was ascertained from [redacted] that [redacted] was going to leave for Las Vegas on the morning of December 26, 1946 and attend the opening of the Flamingo Casino there. From the same source, it was ascertained that prior to his leaving [redacted] had been in contact with [redacted] GEORGE RAFT, and many other Hollywood celebrities, inviting them in behalf of BEN SIEGEL to attend the opening of the Flamingo Casino.

On December 24, 1946 it was ascertained from [redacted] that [redacted] was in telephonic communication with BEN SIEGEL at Las Vegas at which time [redacted] stated the "kid" [redacted] asked [redacted] on the same date and the [redacted] wanted to find out about the furs and stuff. [redacted] subsequently contacted GEORGE RAFT and questioned RAFT concerning the purchase of furs [redacted] At this time [redacted] asked whether the furs were "warm" to which RAFT stated that they were not.

On January 3, 1947 [redacted] returned from Las Vegas and it was likewise ascertained on January 4, 1947 that VIRGINIA HILL was in the City of Los Angeles. Confidential source advised that [redacted] had contacted [redacted] advised that BEN SIEGEL was coming in Los Angeles from Las Vegas and he was eager to have a conference in an effort to develop publicity to boom the Flamingo Casino.

On January 4, 1947 [redacted] in conversation with [redacted] partner with BEN SIEGEL in the Flamingo Hotel and Casino, was advised that the new Flamingo Casino operations were not too successful and that BEN SIEGEL was acting like a prima donna. He further stated that the Flamingo did not have proper publicity in the line of entertaining. They further stated that lots of people were complaining about the Casino being filled with a "bunch of tight lipped gummen." [redacted] stated that "the atmosphere is not friendly and the boys

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On January 2, 1949, as reported by [redacted] contact [redacted] in behalf of BEN SIEGEL for the purpose of producing a motion picture of the Flamingo Casino for nationwide publicity. At this time [redacted] advised that he was leaving for Cuba, but would return in a period of one week and he would do everything possible to back the Flamingo Casino by using his name, movie stars and motion pictures. [redacted] stated that he was one million per cent behind them and that he would back them. From the same conversation, it was ascertained that [redacted] (phonetic) was hired by BEN SIEGEL as the publicity man for the Flamingo Casino recently.

On January 8, 1947, [REDACTED] reported that BEN SIEGEL had telephonically contacted [REDACTED] and that he requested [REDACTED] to get him a ticket on the Constellation for New York on the night of January 13, 1947.

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The following information was furnished by [REDACTED] unless otherwise specifically indicated. DRAGNA continues to be very active in obtaining new subscribers for his wire service in the Los Angeles area; however, he recently has had considerable difficulty, particularly with respect to service in San Francisco and San Diego. According to informant, DRAGNA is continuously trying to obtain more money from Chicago interests by advising that source that the wire service isn't paying expenses and that unless more money is furnished the fee for the service will have to be increased.

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On this occasion DRAGNA on December 20, 1946 contacted [redacted] in Chicago, stating that he was having a great deal of trouble and had recently been arrested by the Los Angeles Police Department while attending the American Legion fight in Hollywood. DRAGNA told [redacted] that he was not suing them, but later it has been ascertained that through his attorneys he had filed suit for \$100,000.00 against the arresting officers. DRAGNA advised [redacted] that he had no more money to which [redacted] replied that he was having trouble all over and suggested to DRAGNA that he cut down on the printing of his sheets. [redacted] informed DRAGNA that he was not the only one having difficulty but that this trouble was apparent in all sections of the country; further that none of the individuals connected with Transamerica had been paying him recently. DRAGNA stated that he had \$25,000 in the wire service and that he needs the shoe [redacted] reminded DRAGNA that he was costing him considerable money and that he was not in a position to carry everybody and told DRAGNA that it was up to the individuals connected with the wire service to pay him at regular intervals. [redacted] advised DRAGNA that they are unable to operate when they lose considerable money and suggested that they might have to close the West Coast because it was costing five or six thousand dollars a week.

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Reference is made to the report, dated December 20, 1946, page #10, wherein is set out information that on November 10, 1946 JACK DRAGNA had contacted [REDACTED] who were registering at the Biltmore Hotel in Los Angeles.

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The following information has been submitted by [redacted] unless other-  
wise indicated, and covers the period since December 20, 1940, when the last  
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**JACK DRAGNA:**

Information concerning this individual will be set out in detail elsewhere in this report, but he and [REDACTED] have had frequent contacts.

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VIRGINIA HILL "BUGSY" SIEGEL, W.A.S.

Research on VIRGINIA HILL "BUGSY" SIEGEL has been spending practically all of his time in Las Vegas, Nevada since last Los Angeles report in instant case, dated December 22, 1946, and the Salt Lake City Field Division will report SIEGEL's activities in Las Vegas, no information is being set out in this report concerning SIEGEL's activities except for that already covered by [redacted] under the above section, captioned [redacted]. Reference is made to Salt Lake City teletype to the Bureau, Los Angeles, and New York, dated January 9, 1947, reflecting that on January 8, 1947 SIEGEL requested [redacted] in Los Angeles to make reservations on the late TWA Constellation flight from Los Angeles to New York City on January 13, 1947. On January 10, 1947, [redacted] advised that [redacted] contacted SIEGEL, who was in Las Vegas, advising that he had SIEGEL's ticket for the 13th and SIEGEL requested [redacted] to get another and to get one for VIRGINIA HILL from New York City to Florida leaving New York City on January 15, 1947.

SIEGEL advised that [redacted] (phonetic) was at the Savoy Plaza Hotel in New York City and that [redacted] should have [redacted] call SIEGEL in Las Vegas, Nevada. After [redacted] several attempts to contact [redacted] at the Savoy Plaza Hotel in New York City, he ascertained that [redacted] was presently staying at the Commodore Hotel in New York City and sent [redacted] telegram, advising him to call SIEGEL by telephone at the Flamingo or the Last Frontier Hotel in Las Vegas. [redacted] subsequently advised SIEGEL that he had obtained the following reservation for VIRGINIA HILL: Flight 60, TWA Constellation, leaving Los Angeles 9:30 P.M., January 13, 1947, arriving New York City 10:20 A.M., January 14, 1947. b2

On January 8, 1947, [redacted] advised that SIEGEL was having trouble in Las Vegas, Nevada because the local Las Vegas businessmen were banding together against SIEGEL and were refusing to have anything to do with him or his associates. [redacted] believed that SIEGEL might possibly have some license trouble as result in Las Vegas. b2 b7c

VIRGINIA HILL

[redacted] advised on January 6, 1947 that VIRGINIA HILL had arrived at the Chateau Marmont, 8221 Sunset Blvd., Apartment 6-D, on January 4, 1947 and [redacted] b2 b7c

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[REDACTED] further advised that VIRGINIA HILL had [REDACTED] purchased a residence in Miami, Florida in the exclusive residential section called Sunset Islands, Miami Beach. Upon her recent return from Las Vegas, VIRGINIA HILL advised [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

On January 7, 1947, VIRGINIA HILL advised [REDACTED] that she would depart to Las Vegas, Nevada at midnight, January 7, 1946, and would return with "her husband" the next day or two by automobile.

[REDACTED]

On January 6, 1947, Special Agents [REDACTED] observed an unidentified individual, believed to be [REDACTED] brother to VIRGINIA HILL, driving BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL's 1946 Chrysler Convertible Sedan, California License 87 U 344, on Sunset Boulevard. This individual parked SIEGEL's automobile in front of the Chateau Marmon Apartments on this date and went to Apartment 6-B.

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Reference is made to Salt Lake City Bulletin, dated December 31, 1946, wherein it is set out information that [redacted] advised on December 29, 1946 that WENDIE WILL contacted [redacted] and advised him that she intended to see his apartment at the Reform Hotel because she would be in Harlow City on January 16, 1947.

[redacted]

In connection with the same case, Agents contacted [redacted] who is known to have been friendly with BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL in connection with the building of the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas. Bureau Agents ascertained that [redacted]

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On January 4, 1947, [redacted] advised that VIRGINIA HILL had contacted [redacted] and requested him to pay for the rent of apartment 6-D at the Chateau Harcourt. She advised that [redacted] were at the apartment with her and that SIEGEL had wanted her to go to Las Vegas with [redacted] who was going to New York City from Las Vegas in the immediate future. VIRGINIA HILL definitely indicated that she did not like Las Vegas, Nevada, and that "she must go to Florida and will be on her way soon." She added that [redacted]

[redacted] had advised SIEGEL that [redacted] would stay in Los Angeles until [redacted] opened her engagement at the Flamingo Hotel in Las Vegas.

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VIRGINIA HILL added that she had just contacted one [redacted]

[redacted] had invited VIRGINIA HILL to visit them.

VIRGINIA HILL indicated that she did not know what SIEGEL wanted in connection with the leasing of the apartment at the Chateau Harcourt apartments and instructed [redacted] that he should contact SIEGEL to determine if they should pack all their things in order to move. [redacted] advised that SIEGEL's decision would hinge on VIRGINIA HILL's departure. She stated definitely that she would be leaving Los Angeles before the 15th of January.

In a subsequent conversation between VIRGINIA HILL and [redacted] on January 7, 1947 VIRGINIA HILL stated that she had recently been at Slapsy Maxie's Night Club and had met [redacted] obtaining his telephone number. VIRGINIA HILL added that SIEGEL wanted to talk to [redacted] VIRGINIA HILL added that SIEGEL was very upset because [redacted] had sent a publicity agent to ask him information concerning the Flamingo Hotel. She added that SIEGEL had hired one [redacted] and had chased the agent [redacted] away from the hotel. In a gestic manner [redacted] stated that before long SIEGEL would be out in front of XAVIER Cugat directing the band. VIRGINIA HILL added that SIEGEL had been having much trouble signing up entertainers at the Flamingo Hotel. She added that SIEGEL had wanted to close the place, but VIRGINIA HILL and [redacted] had advised him not to. HILL stated that she had repeatedly told SIEGEL that he should bring a manager from New York City who knows how to run a night club in order to operate the Flamingo Hotel. She was certain that SIEGEL would not care very much about the Flamingo Hotel, but inasmuch as other interests were behind him in it "he had to care." In this connection she added that SIEGEL stated that he will probably have to kill himself in the end and she advised him that he would not have to because she would hide him. The exact meaning of this point of the conversation could not be determined by the informant, but it is believed that VIRGINIA HILL was referring to individuals who were backing SIEGEL.

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at various night clubs, the Club L'Espresso, the Club Brazil, and other Los Angeles night clubs are attended frequently by VIRGINIA HILL.

[REDACTED]

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Reference is made to previous information furnished

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might be contacted by Bureau Agents and possibly developed as an informant concerning SIEGEL's activities in connection with narcotics.

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THE CLEVELAND FIELD DIVISION

At Cleveland, Ohio, will ascertain the activities of [REDACTED] and attempt to learn what meeting it is that he intends action before in connection with some deal in which [REDACTED] are interested.

Will identify [REDACTED]

Will identify [REDACTED] and attempt to learn how he ties in with [REDACTED]

Will identify [REDACTED] *bx*

Will obtain further background on [REDACTED] and determine what his association is with [REDACTED] other than social.

Identify [REDACTED]

Will identify [REDACTED] *b*

Will determine if the "Sons of Italy", telephone no. Randolph 1649, is a front for the syndicate. It may be that this is the place at which meetings are held every two weeks and where some decision is to be made concerning a deal in which [REDACTED] are interested. *b*

It appears that [REDACTED] prestige and power locally stems from his Cleveland connections and it is significant that following [REDACTED] visit here [REDACTED] is now attempting to buy himself an isolated residence. The allegation has been made in the past that [REDACTED] acts as a front for the syndicate in Los Angeles and the Cleveland Office should bear this in mind in conducting its investigations. The Los Angeles Office is still of the opinion that narcotics may be an important phase of the activities of this mob.

THE CHICAGO FIELD DIVISION

At Chicago, Illinois, will through informants ascertain the reaction of [REDACTED]

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will continue the investigation of [redacted] and his activities [redacted] in the Chicago Office will bear in mind [redacted] contacts with [redacted] in San Francisco and VIRGINIA HILL. [redacted] present is believed to be a key figure in this investigation and his activities should be thoroughly covered, especially along the line of narcotics and jewelry.

Will identify [redacted]

THE MIAMI FIELD DIVISION

At Miami, Florida, will ascertain the activities and contacts of [redacted] as set forth in Los Angeles teletype, dated January 17, 1947.

THE SAN FRANCISCO FIELD DIVISION

At San Francisco, California, will investigate the activities and contacts of [redacted] It is pointed out that she may be possibly engaged in white slavery and she is a person of primary importance in this investigation.

THE NEW YORK CITY FIELD DIVISION

At New York City, will identify [redacted] [redacted] has been contacting in connection with a deal involving shipment of steel. [redacted]

Will ascertain the identity and activities of [redacted] who is registered at either the Commodore or the Savoy Plaza Hotel to determine what his association might be with BEN SIEGEL.

THE LOS ANGELES FIELD DIVISION

At Los Angeles, California, will identify [redacted] and establish the nature of his dealings [redacted]

Will determine the identity of [redacted]

Will recontact [redacted]

Will continue to vigorously investigate the activities of VIRGINIA HILL and BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL.

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information and background on [REDACTED]  
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which [REDACTED] concerning the lease in the property for  
appliance store [REDACTED] are negotiating which will be used as an

[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] will identify [REDACTED] and establish the nature of his feelings  
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Two copies of this report are being designated for the Salt Lake  
City Field Division inasmuch as SIEGEL spends practically all of his time  
at the Flamingo Hotel.

One copy is being designated for the Cincinnati Field Division for  
its information since [REDACTED] is powerful in the State of Ohio. b7C b7D

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BENJAMIN "BUGSY" SIEGEL WAS MISC INFO CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY.  
REMYTEL JAN TEN, WEEKLY SUMMARY. [REDACTED] IN MIAMI BEACH  
LAYING LOW ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM [REDACTED] AS STATED IN  
MYTEL. [REDACTED] IN CLEVELAND AWAITING ARRIVAL OF [REDACTED]  
FROM LOS ANGELES, WHO HAS MADE DECISION AS TO HOW DEAL IN WHICH  
[REDACTED] ARE INTERESTED SHOULD BE HANDLED.

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BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE STEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
CRIME SURVEY. REFERENCE BUREAU TELETYPE  
SURVEILLANCE DISCONTINUED 3 P.M.  
1, 2, 3 AND 4, LAS VEGAS TURF CLUB, TELEPHONE 7070  
ON LONG DISTANCE LINES

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BENJAMIN \* BUGS \* SIEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING, CRIME  
SURVEY. REURTEL SIXTEENTH INSTANT. OFFICIAL SPRINGFIELD ARSENAL ADVISE  
THAT NO RECORD SPRINGFIELD RIFLE OR THIRTY DASH NAUGHT DASH SIX RIFLE  
HAVING NUMBER ONE EIGHT ONE EIGHT NAUGHT. OFFICIALS SMITH AND WESSON  
ADVISE THIRTY EIGHT SPECIAL REVOLVER WITH ONE INCH BARREL NUMBER FOUR  
NAUGHT THREE THREE NINE EIGHT COULD BE ONE OF TWO REVOLVERS, THIRTY-  
EIGHT SPECIAL SOLD TO [REDACTED], NYC ON MAY  
EIGHT, NINETEEN TWENTYTWO OR THIRTYEIGHT SPECIAL WITH V BEFORE THE NUM-  
BER SOLD TO OFFICER IN CHARGE, NAVAL SUPPLY DEPOT, NORFOLK, VA. ON SEP  
SEVENTEEN, NINETEEN FORTYTHREE. THE SECOND REVOLVER THIRTYEIGHT, SIX  
INCH BARREL REVOLVER NUMBER EIGHT TWO NAUGHT TWO FOUR FOUR COULD BE ONE  
OF TWO REVOLVERS- THIRTYEIGHT WITH FIVE INCH BARREL SOLD TO BRITISH  
MINISTRY OF WAR TRANSPORT, TWENTYFIVE BROADWAY, NYC, SOLD SEPT. THREE,  
NINETEEN FORTYONE OR THIRTYEIGHT WITH SIX INCH BARREL WITH LETTER S  
BEFORE THE NUMBER EIGHT TWO NAUGHT TWO FOUR FOUR IS THIRTYEIGHT WITH  
SIX INCH BARREL SOLD TO AMERICAN WHOLESALE HARDWARE COMPANY, LONG BEACH  
CALIF. SOLD APRIL FIVE, NINETEEN FORTYSIX. LEADS CONNECTION WITH ABOVE  
CAPTIONED MATTER BEING LEFT TO THE DISCRETION YOUR OFFICE.

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DIRECTOR AND SAC LOS ANGELES ROUTINE

BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISC. INFO. CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY.

SAS [REDACTED] DEPARTED LAS VEGAS,  
NEWADA FOR LOS ANGELES WESTERN AIRLINES SEVEN THIRTY AM TODAY.

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RE MIAMI QUOTE [REDACTED] UNQUOTE SIEGEL WAS INFO. CONC

PRIME SURVEY. SUMMARY OF INFO SINCE JAN TEN, LAST.

HIGHLY AMUSED AT CURRENT NEWSPAPER STORIES THAT AN OFFER OF TWENTY

FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS HAS BEEN MADE TO THE PERSON WHO SUCCEEDS

KILLING HIM. HE OPENED A [REDACTED] GAMBLING JOINT JAN THIRTEEN,

LAST, LOCATION NOT KNOWN. HE [REDACTED] CONTINUES IN CLOSE CONTACT

WITH [REDACTED] SPOKE OF DELIVERING

ANOTHER LOAD AND TOLD SOMEONE TO GET THE ORDER READY. [REDACTED] U.S.

PRESENTLY NEGOTIATING FOR LEASE ON STORE TO HOUSE AN [REDACTED] APPLIANCE

BUSINESS AND ATTEMPTING TO GET ASSURANCES OF MERCHANDISE FROM EAST.

SIEGEL RETURNED TO L.A. JAN TWELVE, LAST WITH VIRGINIA HILL AND

WAS SURVEILLED JAN FOURTEEN, LAST, MOVING HIS PERSONAL BELONGINGS

FROM CHATEAU MARMONT APTS. TO EIGHT ONE TWO N. LINDEN DR.,

BEVERLY HILLS, CALIF., WHICH RESIDENCE HILL HAS OBTAINED TEMPORARILY

FOR EXCHANGE OF HER HOUSE IN MIAMI. SIEGEL ARRANGED FOR [REDACTED] b7c

[REDACTED] TO TAKE OVER SIEGEL'S APT AT CHATEAU

MARMONT. [REDACTED] CLEVELAND, OHIO, IS AN [REDACTED] ASSOCIATE OF [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] JACK [REDACTED] [REDACTED] b7d

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LOCALLY AT LOSS OF THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS PER [REDACTED] WEEK. NAMES OF

PREVIOUS RECORD OF [REDACTED] IN 62-81518-366 b7c

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BOOKIES IN L.A. AND HOLLYWOOD AREA, SUBSCRIBERS TO THE SERVICE,  
OBTAINED. DRAGNA HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] RE OPERATION OF  
TRACK CREW AT SANTA ANITA RACE TRACK. TRIAL OF INDIVIDUALS ARRESTED

JAN SEVEN, LAST, AT SANTA ANITA IS SET FOR JAN. TWENTY NINE,  
NEXT. [REDACTED] DEPARTED JAN THIRTEEN, LAST TO CARE FOR SIEGEL-S  
BUSINESS IN LAS VEGAS. [REDACTED] EXPECTED TO RETURN L.A. JAN NINETEEN  
OR TWENTY NEXT.

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FBI SALT LAKE CITY *C* 7-00 PM *WE*  
DIRECTOR AND SAC, LOS ANGELES URGENT *b1*

RE BENJAMIN QUOTE BUGS UNQUOTE *Q* BIEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS  
INFORMATION CONCERNING, CRIME SURVEY. RE BUREAU TELETYPE  
*C* TECHNICAL AND MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCE  
ON ROOM 112 HOTEL LAST FRONT *OR* DISCONTINUED 6-00 P.M.

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*Memorandum* UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

DATE January 7, 1947

FROM SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, with aliases  
MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION CONCERNING - CRIME SURVEY

Reference is made to your recent teletype wherein information was requested concerning [redacted] A review of the files of the Los Angeles Field Division has been made in accordance with your request.

A report was made at Los Angeles by Special Agent [redacted] January 2, 1947, in the case entitled [redacted]

[redacted] In this report the Agents interviewed [redacted]

[redacted]

The Agents in connection with this case contacted [redacted] who has been of interest in the SIEGEL case, [redacted]

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*Let to Salt Lake City  
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cc-Mr. Rosen

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SAC, Salt Lake City

January 21, 1947

Director, FBI

**BENJAMIN "BOB" SIEGEL, with aliases,  
MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION CONCERNING  
CRIME SURVEY**

There is enclosed a letter dated January 7, 1947, which was inadvertently forwarded to the Bureau by the Los Angeles Field Division concerning information that your office had requested of the Los Angeles Field Division concerning [REDACTED]. The original of this letter is being retained by the Bureau.

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cc - Los Angeles

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BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MISC, INF. CONC., CRIME SURVEY. DEVELOPMENTS

FOR WEEKEND OF JANUARY THIRTYFIRST. SIEGEL RETURNED TO LOS ANGELES  
JANUARY TWENTYEIGHTH INSTANT AND PROBABLY STAYING WITH VIRGINIA HILL  
AT EIGHT ONE NAUGHT, LINDEN DRIVE, BEVERLY HILLS, OR WITH [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SIEGEL ADVISED [REDACTED]

PRIOR TO DEPARTURE FOR LOS ANGELES THAT FRANK COSTELLO, JOE  
ADONIS, AND MEYER LANSKY MAY WANT TO KILL SIEGEL FOR LOSING LARGE  
SUM OF MONEY IN CONSTRUCTION FLAMINGO HOTEL AT LAS VEGAS, SINCE SIEGEL  
HAD CONDUCTED CONSTRUCTION AGAINST THEIR WISHES. SIEGEL SAID HE MUST  
GO EAST AND FACE THEM SOON. ALLEGED DEADLINE FOR MAKING FINAL SETTLE-  
MENT WITH DEL E. WEBB, [REDACTED] CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, JANUARY TWENTY  
NINTH PAST AND RESULTS OF SETTLEMENT NOT YET KNOWN.

[REDACTED] ADVISED [REDACTED] JANUARY THIRTY THAT MONEY CANNOT PREVENT  
LOSS OF FLAMINGO, BUT SIEGEL [REDACTED] KNEW STEP TAKEN ON THEIR  
PART MEANS VOLUNTARY OR INVOLUNTARY BANKRUPTCY OF NEVADA PROJECT COR-  
PORATION. [REDACTED]

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BENJAMIN BUGS SIEGEL, MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION CONCERNING  
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DIRECTOR AND SAC LOS ANGELES URGENT

BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, MIS INFO CONC, CRIME SURVEY.

ADVISED TODAY THAT SIEGEL RETURNED TO LOS ANGELES, AFTER-  
NOON OF JANUARY TWENTYEIGHT INSTANT AND CAN BE LOCATED WITH VIRGINIA

HILL. DOES NOT KNOW IF SIEGEL PLANS TO DEPART FOR  
NEW YORK FROM LOS ANGELES AS SIEGEL DID NOT DIVULGE PLANS PRIOR TO  
DEPARTURE FROM LAS VEGAS.

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**Federal Bureau of Investigation  
United States Department of Justice**

301 Continental Bank Building  
Salt Lake City, 1, Utah  
February 6, 1947

Director, FBI

Re: BENJAMIN "BUGS" SIEGEL, was.  
MISCELLANEOUS; INFORMATION  
CONCERNING - CRIME SURVEY

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to my teletype to the Bureau and Los Angeles dated February 3, 1947, setting forth information regarding the contemplated closing of the Flamingo Hotel at Las Vegas, Nevada

It is noted that the last sentence of my teletype reads "Will Bureau and LA advise of further developments." This sentence is a typographical error and should have read "Will keep Bureau and LA advised of further developments."

Since receipt of the Los Angeles teletype of February 4, 1947, this office will conduct no further investigation in this case and is presently preparing an RUC report of investigation previously made which is yet unreported. However, such information furnished from time to time which may be of interest to the Bureau and other offices will be submitted as received.

Very truly yours,

*Day Newman*  
JAY C. NEWMAN  
Special Agent in Charge

82-1130  
AIR MAIL

cc: Los Angeles

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# Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. Rosen *b7c*

FROM : [REDACTED]

DATE: February 5, 1947

Call 4 P.M.

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Upon receipt of a teletype from Salt Lake City dated February 3, 1947, in the above entitled matter, the last sentence of which reads "Will Bureau and Los Angeles advise of further developments." a stop was placed with the telephone switchboard against an incoming call from Salt Lake City.

SAC Newman advised that it was a stenographic error and should have read "Will keep Bureau and Los Angeles advised of further developments."

Mr. Newman stated that the investigation concerning Bugs Siegel and his mistress, Virginia Hill, had been closed in the early part of January pursuant to Bureau instructions and that the activity at the Las Vegas Office was confined to [REDACTED] Salt Lake City will furnish the Bureau and interested offices any information of interest developed concerning Bugs Siegel and his criminal associates in connection with the Crime Survey program.

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[REDACTED] further reference to this same matter, I wish to report that

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Special Agent [REDACTED] has dictated a letter to the Bureau under the caption of [REDACTED] Unlawful Flight to Avoid Prosecution (Murder); National Motor Vehicle Theft Act outlining in detail his association [REDACTED] while in Los Angeles and the Bureau should receive this in the immediate future.

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cc: New York

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